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SUBJ: KUWAIT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CONDEMNS US SENATORS' LETTER

1. BY UNANIMOUS DECISION KUWAIT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY MAY 31 VOTED TO DENOUNCE LETTER WRITTEN BY 76 US SENATORS TO PRESIDENT FORD URGING "ADDITIONAL AMERICAN ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL." SPEAKER INSTRUCTED TO DRAFT CABLE TO US SENATE ALONG LINES THAT RECEIVED EARLIER FROM ARAB PARLIAMENTARY UNION CHAIRMAN.

2. TEXT WAS AGREED JUNE 1 AND FOLLOWING MESSAGE UNDERSTOOD SENT TO "US SENATE AND OTHER APPROPRIATE BODIES" SAME DATE;
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"THE KUWAIT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY:

AS IT EXPRESSES ITS CONCERN AND THE CONCERN OF ARAB PARLIAMENTARIANS OVER THE BIASED ATTITUDE TOWARDS ISRAEL BY 76 MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN SENATE AS REGARDS THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION, BY ASKING TO SUPPLY ISRAEL WITH FURTHER MILITARY SUPPORT AND ECONOMIC AID;

AND, AS IT EXPRESSES ITS REGRET FOR THAT ATTITUDE WHICH INVOLVES HINDERING OF PEACE OPPORTUNITIES BY INSTIGATING ISRAEL TO CONTINUE EXPANSION AND AGGRESSION, AND DISTURBING THE BALANCE OF JUSTICE BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT WHICH WOULD LEAD TO EVIL CONSEQUENCES, THE EFFECTS OF WHICH MIGHT NOT BE CONFINED TO THE CONFLICTING PARTIES BUT MIGHT THREATEN WORLD PEACE;

AND, AS IT SEES IN THAT PARTIAL AND INJUDICIOUS ATTITUDE AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO ISRAEL TO COMMIT FURTHER AGGRESSIONS AND VIOLATIONS OF LEGITIMATE RIGHTS AND TO PERSIST IN MAINTAINING USURPED ARAB TERRITORIES, AND ON DENYING THE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE AND ON DEFYING UN RESOLUTIONS, WHICH WOULD LEAD TO THE COLLAPSE OF THE GOOD EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT AN EQUITABLE AND LASTING PEACEFUL SOLUTION FOR THE PROBLEM AND WOULD ADD TO THE TENSION IN THE AREA;

AND, AS IT HAILS THE MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN SENATE WHO REFUSED TO GO ALONG WITH THAT ATTITUDE WHICH IS HOSTILE TO THE ARABS BY REFUSING TO JOIN THE SIGNATORIES OF THAT UNJUST DEMAND, THUS ASSERTING THEIR AWARENESS OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARDS OTHER PEOPLES AND TOWARDS THE CAUSE OF PEACE AND SECURITY IN THE WORLD BY ADHERING COURAGEOUSLY AND IMPARTIALLY TO THE IDEA OF HUMAN PRINCIPLES AND VALUES AS REGARDS THE RIGHT OF PEOPLES FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM, SECURITY, INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGNTY.

IN LIGHT OF THE ABOVE, THE KUWAITI NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CALLS UPON THE INTERPARLIAMENTARY UNION, ALL FREE PARLIAMENTARY BODIES IN ASIA, AFRICA, EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA AND ALL PEACE-LOVING FORCES TO ANNOUNCE THEIR INDIGNATION, DENUNCIATION AND CONDEMNATION OF THAT ATTITUDE.

SPEAKER OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

KHALED SALEH AL-GHUNEIM

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3. ASSEMBLY ACTION WAS INSIDE-PAGE NEWS IN LOCAL PRESS AND NOT OTHERWISE GIVEN PROMINENT COVERAGE. EXCEPT FOR EXPRESSIONS OF REGRET AND RESIGNATION ACTION HAD BEEN TAKEN, EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED SURPRISINGLY LITTLE COMMENTARY FROM GOK OFFICIALS.
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